

SSC

Journal - Office of Legislative Counsel  
Friday - 1 December 1978

SECRET Page 2

25X1 6. [ ] LIAISON Arthur House, in the  
office of Senator Abraham A. Ribicoff (D., Conn.), recently  
25X1 accompanied the Senator to the Soviet Union. He met with several  
Agency representatives to provide his impression and insight on  
the trip. [ ]

25X1 7. [ ] LIAISON Talked to John Hogan, House  
Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Family Farms Rural  
Development and Special Studies, in response to a 14 November  
letter from Representative Charles Grassley (R., Iowa), Minority  
Member of the Subcommittee. In his letter, Representative  
Grassley sought an explanation for the CIA's error in estimating  
last year's Soviet grain crop and requested information on how  
we intend to improve this year's crop estimating. I passed on  
the information that I received from [ ] CSS/NFAC,  
summarizing the answers to both questions to Mr. Hogan.  
He appreciated our response and requested that we send a letter  
to the Subcommittee.

25X1 8. [ ] LIAISON Accompanied Dan Childs and  
Hal Ford, both of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence  
25X1 staff, to a meeting with [ ]  
all of DDO, regarding the Committee's request for an Agency  
study on HUMINT. Childs indicated that although some very  
good material was included in the Agency's 2 November submission,  
he felt the Committee still needs an overall evaluation of the  
value of HUMINT. He suggested that this might be done by  
evaluating our performance against each of the FY-1978 DDO  
objectives plus by giving the Committee an indication of  
25X1 unique contributions of HUMINT. [ ] explained the functions  
and work of his EPDS/DDO staff and both Ford and Childs reviewed  
25X1 a copy of the FY-78 Foreign Intelligence Reporting Evaluation  
for the period 1 April to 30 September 1978. [ ] indicated  
the staff members were welcome to read this and both Childs  
25X1 and Ford indicated their belief that this would satisfy the  
Committee's needs. Childs asked if highly sensitive and special  
25X1 channels reporting was included in this publication. [ ]  
indicated it was handled separately and asked the staff to look  
at this publication first and then we would discuss what  
might be done regarding the most sensitive reports.

SECRET

25X1

Approved For Release 2004/07/08 : CIA-RDP81M00980R002800080064-4

Approved For Release 2004/07/08 : CIA-RDP81M00980R002800080064-4